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TOPIC Military Information from the Luckenwalde-Jueterbog Area

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1. Between 10 and 22 February 1954, the former Norddeutsche Maschinenfabrik (3322), Luckenwalde, was occupied by about 500 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets. About 150 to 300 troops with and without small arms drilled on several days of observation. On 13 February, 1 radar and 2 trucks were seen in a meadow about 250 meters southwest of the installation.

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2. Between 10 and 22 February, Stalag I (3321) was occupied by an estimated 500 to 600 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia. Little training was observed in the installation. On 17 February, rocket launcher and 4 trucks left the installation. On 10 and 11 February, 13 trucks, picked up fuel and ammunition at the depot beside the installation.

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3. Between 10 and 22 February, Stalag II was occupied by an estimated 400 troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including some with artillery insignia.

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4. The Forst Zinna training area was restricted because of firing practices with heavy weapons on 10 February. Six trucks towing 6 x 76.2-mm field guns were observed in Jagen No 40. Nine trucks and 3 light field guns were seen in Jagen No 16. Three eight-rail rocket launchers were firing in Jagen No 44, while about 200 troops with 12 trucks and 85-mm AT guns rested in Jagen No 43.

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5. On 22 February, Camp Forst Zinna (3207) was occupied as previously by about 2,000 troops. Troops observed in the installation drilled and fired with machine guns. On 19 February, about 250 troops carrying full field equipment left the

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camp and, along with 3 T-34/85 tanks, practiced attack with armored support in Jagen Nos 41 through 43. [redacted]

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6. In the afternoon on 26 February, 56 trucks, including some carrying ammunition boxes, were assembled near Stalags I and II. [redacted]

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On 27 February, a column of about 50 trucks carrying ammunition and gasoline barrels was seen in front of Stalags I and II. [redacted]

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[redacted] In the evening of the same day, a column of 1 sedan, 139 trucks, 12 rocket launchers, 3 field kitchens, 2 radio trucks and about 800 troops passed through Luckenwalde, proceeding toward Jaenickendorf. Motor vehicles [redacted]

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[redacted] as well as rocket launchers [redacted] were identified. [redacted]

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7. Between 28 January and 24 February, the Fliegerhorst Kaserne (3203) in Damm near Jueterbog was occupied beyond capacity as previously. However, except for 4 tanks engaged in driving school practice, almost no training was observed in the installation. Up to 50 trucks and weapons of all types almost daily left the installation toward Markendorf. The vehicles left in groups of about 15 and at intervals of 5 to 10 minutes. On 28 January, the column included 16 guns, 4 mortars, 4 AA guns, several field kitchens and 4 armored vehicles. The trucks were occupied by 20 soldiers each. The composition of the column was about the same on the other days of observation. [redacted]

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8. Between 15 and 20 February, details up to 50 troops daily left Fuchsberg Kaserne, Jueterbog, for the training area or toward the slaughter house. [redacted] In the morning on 15 February, a column of about 25 trucks, each occupied by 25 soldiers, went from Altes Lager to Jueterbog. [redacted]

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[redacted] In the afternoon on 16 February, a column of 5 x 85-mm AA guns and truck [redacted] went from Jueterbog to Luckenwalde. In the morning on 18 February, a major column of trucks and sedans occupied by troops carrying full field pack, and loaded with field kitchens and equipment went toward Jueterbog, coming from the direction of Parkendorf. [redacted] this unit belonged to Altes Lager. [redacted]

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1. [redacted] Comment. [redacted] in Luckenwalde and Jueterbog [redacted] the installations there are occupied as previously.

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2. [redacted] Comment. The observations are believed to have been connected with the exercise which started in the Halbe-Brand area on 26 February. As had previously been indicated in other reports, the exercise involved army troops of the Third Gds Mech Army. [redacted]

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[redacted] the 91st Gds RL Regt from Stalags I and II, Luckenwalde, participating in the exercise. [redacted]

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No other indications for the presence in the training area of elements of the 7th Gds Tank Div are available.

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